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Serial No. : Not Yet Assigned  
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FELTS FOR FUEL CELL GAS DIFFUSION LAYER SUBSTRATES AND  
HIGH THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY REINFORCED COMPOSITES  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above referenced patent application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows: